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Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report

March, 2009

Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....	1514
Number of items* contained in these cases.....	2495
Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....	1656
Number of items analyzed this month.....	2536
Laboratories' backlog (Items).....	14031
Average time per analysis (turnaround time).....	148 days
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed.....	215

Analysis Backlog

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	1264	9%
16-30 days old	1154	8%
31-50 days old	1326	9%
Greater than 50 days	10287	73%
TOTAL	14031	100%

* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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Analysis Profile

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	81	3%
16-30 days	48	2%
31-50 days	560	22%
Greater than 50 days	1847	73%
TOTAL	2536	100%

Totals for Drugs of Interest

Drug Type	Number of Items
Marijuana	718
Cocaine	650
Heroin	305
Others	863
TOTAL	2536

Trafficking Items Analyzed

Drug Type	Number of Items
Heroin	7
Cocaine	25
Oxycodone	19
TOTAL	51

Calendar Year (2009) Totals through the End of the Month

Items Submitted	7277
Items Analyzed	7236

